

Greetings,

I recently read of Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to run a negative, biased documentary shortly before the election. This will be a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is required by law to serve public interest. When large companies control the airwaves, our democracy can be threatened in this way. We rely on government agencies to enforce rules and, perhaps too often, independent organizations to watch for this kind of misstep.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs increased diligence, to protect from propaganda.

Thank you.